



February 17, 2006

Via Express Mail

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P.O. Box 1450
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Re: United States Patent Application
Entitled: Staged Oil Filter Incorporating Pelletized Basic Conditioner
Serial No.: 10/765,649
Filed: January 26, 2004
Attorney Docket: 790-99-014

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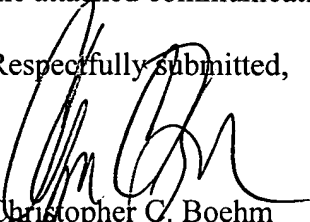
We enclose herewith:

- ☒ Amendment Transmittal Letter
- ☒ Amendment Under 37. CFR § 1.113
- ☒ Terminal Disclaimer
- ☒ Power of Attorney and Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b)
- ☒ 2 Acknowledgment Postcards


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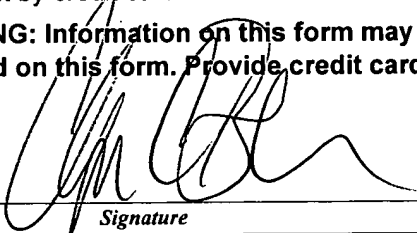
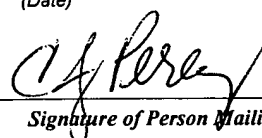
Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136 and other applicable rules to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely in the event a petition is required.

Respectfully submitted,


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)					Docket No. 780-99-014	
Applicant(s): Rohrbach, et al.						
Application No. 10/756,649	Filing Date January 26, 2004	Examiner Ivars C. Cintins	Customer No.	Group Art Unit 1724	Confirmation No. 1181	
Invention: STAGED OIL FILTER INCORPORATING PELLETIZED BASIC CONDITIONER						
 COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:						
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.						
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.						
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	15 -	20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	5 -	5 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00	
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